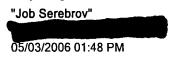
alternative travel cost can not exceed this or give me the site. $\ensuremath{\text{\text{c}}}$

Thanks,

Job

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To psims@eac.gov, cc dromig@eac.gov

Subject Re: Working Group Meeting

Peggy:

I expect that since Norcross can't make it either you will try to get Rogers or cut one of Tova's folks.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job and Tova:

,

> As of now, the afternoon of Thursday, May 18 appears

> to be the best

> possible date for the meeting. Norcross is not

> available to attend in

> person that day (he is available only 2 days during

> the first three weeks

> of May). We won't have confirmation of the

> availability of Secretary

> Rokita until tomorrow --- but I am hopeful.

>

> I'll give you an update tomorrow. Maybe we can

> schedule a teleconference

> on Monday afternoon. --- Peggy

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"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov >

To psims@eac.gov

CC

04/26/2006 09:07 PM

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

Peg -- I'll have check. I am pretty well clogged next month.

What do you need Peg?

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>

To: Donsanto, Craig < Craig. Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>

Sent: Wed Apr 26 20:30:24 2006

Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

Craiq:

Are yu available any days in the third week of May?

Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

---- Original Message ----

From: "Donsanto, Craig" [Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov]

Sent: 04/03/2006 03:16 PM

To: Margaret Sims

Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

Hello Peg!

God willing, I will be here the first two weeks of May.

As for your second question, it is not possible for me to assess the level of public attribution that would be appropriate without seeing the substantive stuff in context. I do not foresee a problem. So, I recommend that you get me a draft text and I will review it to ensure we are not disclosing things we shouldn't disclose.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, April 03, 2006 3:13 PM

To: Donsanto, Craig

Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project

Craiq:

I have 2 issues for you today.

First, I am trying to schedule a meeting of the project working group for EAC's Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation research project. As a technical advisor on this project, your attendance is particularly important to me. Would you please look at your schedule and let me know if there are any days during the first 2 weeks of May that you would NOT be available?

Second, is it OK for our consultants to refer in their report to guidance provided in the DOJ training materials? I ask this because I understood that some materials in the materials are considered confidential and we do not want to violate your confidentiality provisions. If there is a compromis position, such as having you review that portion of the consultants' report, then let me know.

Thanks!

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 11:25 AM

To Gavin Gilmour

cc jthompson@eac.gov

Subject Fw: Working Group-Travel Costs

Can you help me respond to this ... and soon? --- Peggy

---- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 05/09/2006 11:25 AM ----



"Job Serebrov" 05/08/2006 09:58 PM

To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Re: Working Group-Travel Costs

Peggy:

Please tell the folks there that I am not worried about a perceived breach of contract. This is a completely ridiculous statement considering the contractual requirement that the consultants convene

the Working Group and not the Commission and it never specifies where or when this is to take place. All this to say that while the contract does specify a Working Group meeting it does not specify that it must take place on any particular date or in a particular city. With that said, I have never heard of any federal travel requirements that would result in a loss of money because I decided to drive and not fly. In fact, that is why there is a an amount paid per mile. So I would like to see the federal regulation that forces me to take the least expensive transport and restricts all other ground transport costs to that figure.

As to hotels, based on Tova's research there are no rooms for under the \$350 range per night. If you can find hotels that are less expensive but still carry the kind of bed I need for my back (either pillow top or a number bed) please do.

The issue of my uncle---today I have not had an update on his condition. But, as I previously stated, if he were to die or have an event while I was in DC, I would have to go to NYC meeting or no meeting.

Finally, neither Tova nor I have been satisfied about Mr. Perez and I have not been told whether Pat Rogers will be coming or one of Tova's people will not be.

In the end, I need to see the travel regulation that I requested above, I would like you to look into hotels for Tova and me that have the kind of bed I need and I would like to know about Perez and Rogers. In the mean time, I should have an update on my uncle by morning. I would also be happy to talk to Julie about the issues involved. I will take you up on your offer to process my travel expenses faster and I do not and never did expect you to get me a travel advance. I worked in international development and know what a headache those are to apply for on the state level.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job:

- > Folks here are concerned that your failure to show
- > up in person to help
- > conduct the meeting would be a breach of contract.
- > I also am concerned
- > about the impression that your absence will leave
- > with the Commissioners
- > and with the VIPs coming to this meeting.
- > If you are concerned about delays in reimbursement
- > caused by including the
- > travel expenses in the personal services voucher, I
- > can always process
- > your request (with receipts) separately and earlier.

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> I can have staff
> here check to see if we can find hotel rooms at a
> more reasonable rate for
> you and Tova. (We recognize that you may not be
> able to obtain Federal
                     What I cannot do is offer a
> government rate.)
> travel advance, which is
> not permitted for nonfederal employees, or offer to
> pay the difference
> between normal travel expenses and those incurred
> for personal
> convenience, when the latter is the higher amount.
> I urge you to make your travel arrangements ASAP.
> Peggy Sims
> Election Research Specialist
> U.S. Election Assistance Commission
> 1225 New York Ave, NW - Ste 1100
> Washington, DC 20005
> Phone: 866-747-1471 (toll free) or 202-566-3120
> (direct)
> Fax: 202-566-3127
> email: psims@eac.gov
> "Job Serebrov"
> 05/08/2006 01:41 PM
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
> Subject
> Re: Working Group
>
>
>
> Given the information I have Peggy, that is not
> going
> to be financially possible. First, given Tova's info
> about the hotels, it is too much for me to front.
> to three days in DC would run around $1000 for the
> hotel alone. That does not count the two days on the
> road to get there and two days back. Second, if I
> can't charge the federal per mile allowance for the
> entire trip to DC and back and can only get the
> equivalent of plane fare, I will actually loose
> money.
> I simply do not see how we can do this in person
> given
> the financial restrictions.
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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > Job:
> > I don't think we can put you on teleconference for
>> 41/2 hours. We really
> > need to have you here in person if you are to help
> > conduct the Working
> > Group meeting. You should make your travel
> > arrangements ASAP. --- Peggy
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov" <
> > 05/08/2006 10:14 AM
> > To
> > psims@eac.gov,
> > cc
> >
> > Subject
> > Re: Working Group
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> >
> > Peggy:
> > 4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the
> > financial restrictions that you indicated would be
> > in
> > place for use of my car (I would actually loose
> > money
> > coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this
> > time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait
> > for
> > months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle
> > for
> > this working group meeting to take place in
> person.
> > It
> > is looking like the only way it will get done is
> > teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about
> > the
> > unknown nature of Mr. Perez.
> > Job
> >
> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > > Hi, Folks:
> > >
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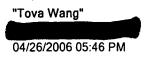
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> > Teleconference
> > Are both of you available for a teleconference
> > next
> > Tuesday afternoon at
> > about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you,
> > > please suggest another
> > > date and/or time. I would like to discuss our
> > > preparations for the
> > > Working Group meeting.
> > > Working Group Members
>>> We have a very good person to fill the slot for
> > the
> > > nonpartisan local
> > election official: J.R. Perez, Elections
> > > Administrator for Guadalupe
> > County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have
> > > objections to him. He
> > is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to
> > > Rogers office, but
> > > have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have
> > any
> > > pull with him, you
> > > may want to contact him, too.
> > > Travel Arrangements
> > You should make your own travel arrangements,
> > > including hotel. Travel
> > time cannot be billed to the contract, except
> for
> > > hours actually worked on
> > > the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in
> > > preparation for the meeting,
> > > and the like). Current Federal rates follow:
> > Maximum Lodging = $180 per day- does not include
> > > hotel taxes (if you
> > cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable
> > > rates that are a little
>>> higher)
> > > Meals & Incidentals = $64 per day (except that
> it
> > is
>>> $48 on the first and
> > > last day of travel)
> > > Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = $ .445
> per
> > > mile
> > >
> > > Under the new contract, I do not have to fill
> out
> > a
> > > travel authorization
> > > for you. I can approve your trip via email.
> > > Afterwords, when you turn in
> > your next pay voucher, you can attach the
> airline
> > > receipt (or mileage
> > > documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground
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> > transportation receipts and a
> > copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the
> > total travel expenses due
>
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To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject wg

Do you want me to call both Bob too?

Tova Andrea Wang

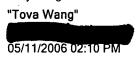


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To psims@eac.gov,

CC

Subject RE: Literature Summary

We accidentally left it out when we emailed all the summaries

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 1:09 PM

To:

Subject: Literature Summary

Tova just sent me the summary you prepared of <u>The Federal Crime of Election Fraud</u> by Craig Donsanto. There is something wrong in the fourth paragraph (odd characters and missing text). Can you please send a replacement fourth paragraph? You can send it in an email and I will place it in the document. --- Peggy

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"Tova Wang"



To "Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>, psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject RE: new working group representative

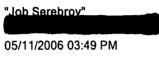
He is representing Barbara Arnwine, and we have already established we are not disinviting anyone. We still don't know about Ginsburg yet anyway, right? ----Original Message----From: Job Serebrov [mailto: Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 2:36 PM To: Tova Wang; psims@eac.gov Cc: Subject: Re: new working group representative I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize he comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority attorney and we already have a rep who worked with DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not fill that position since I am one down. --- Tova Wang vrote: > is Jon Greenbaum > Here's his info in full: http://www.lawyerscommittee.org/2005website/aboutus/staff/staffgreenbaum.htm > He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project for > the Lawyers Committee > for Civil Rights. He will be representing Barbara > Arnwine, the Executive > Director of the Lawyers Committee. > His contact and mailing info is: > jgreenbaum@lawyerscommittee.org > 202-662-8315 > 1401 New York Avenue, NW > Suite 400 > Washington, DC 20005 > Tova Andrea Wang > Democracy Fellow > The Century Foundation > 41 East 70th Street - New York, NY 10021 > phone: 212-452-7704 fax: 212-535-7534

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To psims@eac.gov

Subject Re: Literature Summary

I resent the review as you see at the bottom. When I opened it and sent it there was no corrupted text.

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> > something wrong in the fourth
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> > you please send a
> > replacement fourth paragraph? You can send it in
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05/05/2006 01:59 PM

To "J. R. Perez" @GSAEXTERNAL

Subject Re: Bio for Perez

Thanks, J.R. Great to have you on board! We will get back to you shortly regarding travel arrangements. The meeting materials will be sent by Federal Express next week.

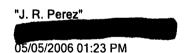
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"J. R. Perez" <ipperez50@sbcglobal.net>





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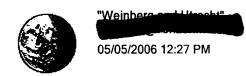
Subject Bio for Perez



Hi Peggy, it was nice talking with you today and I would be glad to try and add to the discussion. I am attaching a brief bio and will await your ... instructions for the travel arrangements. I look forward to receiving the current information on panel issues.

J.R. Perez Elections Administrator Guadalupe County

---- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:23 PM ----



To psims@eac.gov

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

5201 Roosevelt St. Bethesda, MD 20814 301-493-5343

---- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov

To:

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 10:56 AM

Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Barry:

Would you please provide an address to which we can Federal Express materials before the meeting? ---Peg

"Weinberg and Utrecht"

05/04/2006 01:34 PM

To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

that would be fine

---- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov

To:

Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 1:08 PM

Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Barry:

It appears that the afternoon of Thursday, May 18 is best for a meeting of the working group. I know you

said you would not be available in the morning that day. If we started at 1 PM, would that be too soon for you?

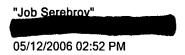
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To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Re: Working Group List

List a vacancy---to be filled. If we don't hear from Ginsberg by late afternoon please call Braden.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job:

>

> What do you suggest I do with the list of Working

> Group members. I need

> to get the Fed Ex packages out by the end of the

> day, and have not heard

> back from Ginsberg. Do you want me to list a

> vacancy, or list Norcross

> with a note that he cannot attend? If we find a

> substitute, we can always

> provide an updated list next Thursday. --- Peggy

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV 05/09/2006 04:43 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

CC

Subject Hotel for Job

Peggy,

A possible hotel suggestion for Job might be the Sheraton College Park in Beltsville, MD. They have room availability for the nights of the 17th and the 18th for \$159.00 a night.

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They have what is called the Sheraton Sweet Sleeper Bed. More information at:

http://www.starwoodhotels.com/promotions/promo_landing.html?category=sweet_sleeper

This hotel is a little out of the way but the members of the Asian Language Working Group and others have stayed there. The hotel does offer a shuttle to and from Reagan airport and the metro.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/12/2006 01:51 PM

To Devon Romig

CC

Subject Wang & Serebov Fed Ex Info

Devon:

Here is the information you need for the Fed Ex forms for Job and Tova.

Tova Wang 201 West 74th Street, Apt 11F New York, NY 10023 Phone: 212-362-5223

(Note that the package may be left with the doorman.)

Job Serebrov 2110 South Spring Street Little Rock, AR 72206 Phone: 501-374-2176

---- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:23 PM ----



"Tova Wang" 05/02/2006 05:52 PM

To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

OK. I'll be out of the office for the next three days, and mostly unavailable on Thursday and Friday as you know already. Tomorrow you can try me on my cell phone 917-656-7905. I'll try to check email when I can. Thanks Peg. Tova

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2006 4:41 PM

To: wang@tcf.org

Subject: RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

I hope to have a better idea tomorrow, if Rokita's office responds. If not, we'd better have a teleconference to discuss our options. --- Peggy



05/02/2006 05:06 PM

To dromig@eac.gov

cc psims@eac.gov

Subject RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Can you please give me an idea where we are at with all this? I'd like to be able to figure out my schedule. Thanks -- and thanks for all your assistance on this. Tova

----Original Message----

From: dromig@eac.gov [mailto:dromig@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2006 3:54 PM

To: wang@tcf.org

Subject: RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Yes, I have spoken to her assistant several times but today has been the first time that I have ever spoken to her assistant. We did get the information that we needed. Thanks for your help!

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"Tova Wang" 04/26/2006 04:39 PM

To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject RE: interview analysis

I think I can help you at least with respect to Barbara. I'll be speaking to her today!

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

. .00437

Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2006 3:38 PM

To: wang@tcf.org

Subject: Re: interview analysis

Thanks. We are still trying to get through to Bauer and Arnwine. They have not responded, so their availability is not yet reflected on our spreadsheet. --- Peggy

04/26/2006 11:22 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc "'Job Serebrov"
Subject interview analysis

Hi Peg,

Attached, to add to the collection, is a summary overview of the interviews. Do you have that spreadsheet you were telling me about reflecting the times WG participants are available? If so, maybe we can talk soon? Thanks. Tova

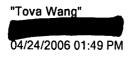
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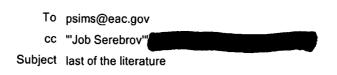
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Hi Peg,

Here is the last summary of existing research. Please let us know how to proceed from here. Thanks.

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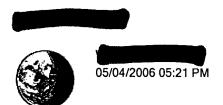


Subject Re: wg

Tova:

Rokita is available --- so the afternoon of May 18 it is. I will not disinvite anyone. I am trying to get Job's next choice (Pat Rogers) as a replacement for Norcross.

Monday appears to be out for a teleconference because Job will be unavailable that afternoon and I am scheduled for something else that morning. I'll check my schedule tomorrow and send a message to you and Job regarding other possible days and times. --- Peggy



To psims@eac.gov

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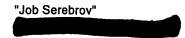
Subject W9

Hi Peg,

Just wondering if you had any word from Rokita. Also, I wanted to let you know that I think disinviting members of the working group would be a very unwise and frankly embarrassing way of dealing with the problem of getting 100% attendance. I'm sure we'll talk before any decisions are made. As I said, I'm free on Monday. Thanks. Tova

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Subject Re: Fraud Definition

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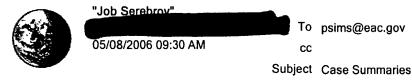
I would give him until Monday morning but I would also call Braden today and tell him there may be an opening for him on the WG and find out whether he is free.

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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> I have placed another call to his office (after one
> previous call to his
> assistant and an email to him). I, too, am
> concerned about our dwindling
> chances. --- Peggy
>
> "Job Serebrov"
> 05/12/2006 03:06 PM
> To
> psims@eac.gov
> Subject
> Re: Fraud Definition
>
>
> Given the short time period, you may want to give
> Ginsberg a deadline. The longer we wait, the poorer
> our chances are of getting Braden.
> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > I am reluctant to invite Braden until after I have
> > received a "No" from
> > Ginsberg. --- Peg
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov"
> > 05/12/2006 02:33 PM
> > To
> > psims@eac.gov
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> > Sounds good to me. If not Ginsburg try Braden.
> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > I will add "DRAFT" to the definition and, yes,
> the
> > WG will have
> > suggestions. I do plan to send packets to you
> and
> > Tova containing the
> > same materials being provided to the WG. I
> > haven't
> > sent anything yet
> > because I was hoping to finalize the WG list for
>>> inclusion. (Still
> > > waiting for a response from Ginsberg.)
> > Regarding Tova's response, we may want to have a
> > > very short meeting after
> > the WG disperses, followed by a teleconference
> the
> > > following Monday
> > afternoon. Tuesday is bad for me because I'll
> be
> > > out of the office
> > attending a series of EAC meetings that begin
> that
> > > day. --- Peggy
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> > >
> > > "Job Serebrov"
> > > 05/12/2006 12:52 PM
> > To
> > > psims@eac.gov,
> > > cc
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> > > Subject
> > > Re: Fraud Definition
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> > >
> > This is ok, given the fact that the WG may have
> > suggestions. Will you be sending us the same
> > packets
> > > that you are sending the WG? Also, I figure
> with
> > Tova's response we will need to have a
> > > teleconference
> > > on the report once I return to Little Rock. We
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> > will
> > need to do it that following Monday or Tuesday.
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> > > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > > Would you please take a look at the attached?
>>> combined both of your
> > > definitions, reformatted the list, removed a
>>> reference to the fraud having
> > > to have an actual impact on the election
> results
>>> > (because fraud can be
> > > prosecuted without proving that it actually
> > > changed
>>>> the results of the
> > > election), and taken out a couple of vague
> > examples
>>> > (e.g.; reference to
> > > failing to enforce state laws --- because
> there
> > > may
> > > be legitimate reasons
> > > for not doing so).
> > > I have made contact with Ben Ginsberg's office
> > and
> > > am waiting to hear if
> > > he accepts our invitation to join the working
> > > group.
> > > --- Peggy
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Case Summaries.doc Peggy:

Please add this to the packet.

Job

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"Job Serebrov"
05/10/2006 11:51 AM
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To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Re: Update

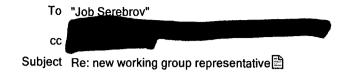
The bed is not what I need and Beltsville is a bit far out.

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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> Why is the hotel suggestion not workable? (I need
> to know as we continue
> our search.) -- Peg
> "Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>
> 05/10/2006 10:29 AM
> To
> psims@eac.gov
> Subject
> Update
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>
> Peggy:
> Pat just e-mailed me. He has something he can't move
> on the 18th. So I am now down one person and still
> good hotel situation. Devon's suggestion is not
> workable.
> Job
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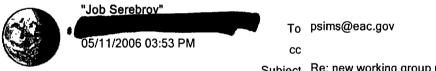
According to the Commissioners, you and Tova each got to pick three members of the Working Group. The Commission guidance regarding this particular member follows:

4 people from the Academic, Legal and Advocacy sectors - 2 to be chosen by Tova and 2 to be chosen by Job.

This issue of allowing a designee relates to Tova's pick.

As I understand it, we are working on a replacement for Norcross. If Ginsberg is not viable, how about Mark Braden, who includes public integrity in his areas of specialization. I would not try and stir up other members of the Working Group, if I were you. The effort is likely to come back and bite you.

"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>



Subject Re: new working group representative

I really don't care if he represents the organization or not. What mixed race? The entire discussion was because Arnwine was African-American. If you are going to invite him without first having a replacement for my side, I may have to call Thor and Todd and discuss all of this. --- psims@eac.gov wrote: > Greenbaum is representing Arnwine, not replacing > her. He works for her > organization and is of mixed race. --- Peggy > "Job Serebrov" > 05/11/2006 03:36 PM > To > "Tova Wang" sims@eac.gov > cc

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> serebrov@sbcglobal.net
> Subject
> Re: new working group representative
> I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize he
> comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority
> attorney and we already have a rep who worked with
> DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not
> fill
> that position since I am one down.
> --- Tova Wang
> > is Jon Greenbaum
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> > Here's his info in full:
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http://www.lawyerscommittee.org/2005website/aboutus/staff/staffgreenbaum.htm
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> > He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project
> > the Lawyers Committee
> > for Civil Rights. He will be representing Barbara
> > Arnwine, the Executive
> > Director of the Lawyers Committee.
> > His contact and mailing info is:
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  > Visit our Web site, <a href="http://www.tcf.org/">http://www.tcf.org/>
  > www.tcf.org, for the latest news,
  > analysis, opinions, and events.
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> >
     <mailto:join-tcfmain@mailhost.groundspring.org>
> > Click here to receive our
> > weekly e-mail updates.
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Thomas R. Wilkey/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 10:29 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

CC

Subject Re: Fw: Court Reporter for Working Group Meeting

Yes. please let Joyce know and she will get someone Tom

Thomas R. Wilkey
Executive Director
US Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Ave, NW - Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 566-3109 phone
TWilkey@eac.gov
Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 10:26 AM

To twilkey@eac.gov

cc DScott@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Fw: Court Reporter for Working Group Meeting

Tom:

I understand that EAC hired a court reporter for the Asian Language Working Group meeting. I would like to do the same for the May 18 Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group meeting, but I did not include funds in my budget for this service. Do we have funds that could be used for this purpose? (See Devon's cost estimate below.) --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 05/10/2006 10:18 AM ----- Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 09:54 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

CC

Subject Court reporter

Peggy,

I spoke to the people who usually handle the EAC court reporting. They charge \$9.00 per page with an average of 40 pages per hour. This service would cost about \$1800.00.

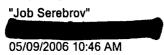
The turn around time for the transcript is 10 to 15 days. The transcripts comes in a bound paper copy and an electronic copy.

I can also check around for different prices.

Devon Romig United States Election Assistance Commission 1225 New York Ave. NW, Suite 1100 Washington, DC 20005 202.566.2377 phone 202.566.3128 fax www.eac.gov

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To psims@eac.gov cc

Subject Fwd: RE: Working Group meeting

FYI

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--- "Patrick J. Rogers"

> Subject: RE: Working Group meeting
> Date: Tue, 9 May 2006 07:42:44 -0600
> From: "Patrick J. Rogers"
> To: "Job Serebrov"
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> Job---maybe. I will call you and/or Ms. Sims
> tomorrow. Depositions all
> day today. Thanks, Pat
>
> What's the best number to call you tomorrow?
>
> Patrick J. Rogers
> Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A.
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> P.O. Box 2168
> Albuquerque, NM 87103-2168
> Tel: 505-848-1849
> Fax:
         505-848-1891
> ----Original Message----
> From: Job Serebrov [mailto
> Sent: Monday, May 08, 2006 9:41 PM
> To: Patrick J. Rogers
> Subject: Working Group meeting
> Pat:
> The working group meeting for the voter fraud
> project is scheduled for
> May 18th in DC but David Norcross can't attend.
> Could you come? If so,
> we need to arrange travel and a hotel for you.
> Regards,
> Job
> Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A.
> THIS MESSAGE IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THE USE OF THE
> INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY TO
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> from your system
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> e-mail or by calling
> 505.848.1800, so that our address record can be
> corrected. Thank you.
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To Serebrov

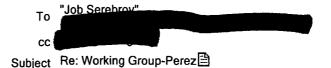
Subject Fw: Working Group-Perez

This is the original email with the attachment. If you still don't see the attachment on your end, I can excerpt the content and send it in email text. --- Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 11:13 AM



As you may recall, the Commissioners directed me to find a nonpartisan local election official to serve on the Working Group. The three of us discussed the desirability of having a HIspanic. I proposed that I find someone from Texas because of that State's colorful history of voting fraud and their innovative approaches to combat it. In those Texas counties that hire Election Administrators to run elections, rather than having elected officials do so (Tax Assessor for voter registration; County Clerk for balloting), the Election Administrator is hired by the County Election Commission and is supposed to perform his or her duties in a nonpartisan manner. (See attached excerpts from Texas Election Code regarding election administrator hiring and restrictions on partisan activity.)

Any experienced Texas election official will be familiar with voting fraud and voter intimidation schemes used in that State. Mr. Perez has over 13 years experience as a county Election Administrator in Texas. You won't find many news articles mentioning him because he has kept his nose clean. (The Texas press, as in many other parts of the country, prefers to report bad news.) Mr. Perez is plugged into the association of Texas election officials and the two largest organizations of election officials in this country: the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers (IACREOT); and The Election Center. He is a past President and past Chairman of the Legislative Committee for the Texas Association of Election Administrators. He currently serves on IACREOT's Election Officials Committee, which plans the educational sessions for election officials that are conducted at that organization's conferences. His peers in IACREOT and The Election Center have selected his submissions on web presentations (IACREOT) and his professional practices papers (Election Center) for awards. Mr. Perez also has access to information from other States through his membership in IACREOT and The Election Center. He also has a sense of humor, which you will note if you access the staff web page on the Guadalupe County Elections web site and hear the Mission Impossible theme .. something that might be useful in the upcoming meeting.

Guadalupe County is small but growing. In 2004, the county had over 65 thousand registered voters (a number more than doubled the number of registered voters in 1988). A third of the county's population claims Hispanic or Latino origin, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The county is in south central Texas and is bordered by Comal, Hays, Cladwell, Gonzales, Wilson, and Bexar counties. In the 1980s, the county was predominately a farming community; but in recent years, many people have moved from San Antonio (Bexar County) to Guadalupe County, preferring to live in Guadalupe County and work in Bexar County.

--- Peggy



tx elec admin-appt-partisan restrictions.doc

"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>



"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net> 05/08/2006 11:30 PM

To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Re: Working Group

Peggy:

What political party is Perez with? How political is he? Is the position in Texas neutral or political? Who appointed Perez?

As to Pat I will contact him but I can't promise anything. If Pat can't come, who is getting knocked off Tova's list?

Job

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To Tova Andrea Wang

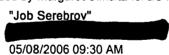
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Subject Fw: Case Summaries

Had you seen this? --- Peggy

---- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 05/09/2006 11:38 AM ----





To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Case Summaries



Case Summaries.doc Peggy:

Please add this to the packet.

Job

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"Job Serebrov"

<serebrov@sbcglobal.net> 05/11/2006 10:16 AM

To psims@eac.gov, wang@tcf.org

CC

Subject Re: Today's Teleconference

The teleconference is on. However, I am still one person down for the meeting and I am not comfortable. This will have to be discussed since from the start it was agreed that the WG would be equal and if I lost a person Tova would have to loose one. Further and most importantly, I don't yet have a hotel so my attendance is still up in the air. Finally, the agenda is not what we discussed and gives far too much time for areas that can be covered in a short time. Not listed are all of the questions that Tova's proposed agenda had. All in all, it needs to be redone.

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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> I assume that we are still on for today's
> teleconference at 11 AM EST. I
> will call you. I have attached a draft agenda for
> your review and
> comment. --- Peggy
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---- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:23 PM -----

Diana Scott/EAC/GOV

05/08/2006 01:52 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc dromig@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC, Edgardo Cortes/EAC/GOV@EAC Subject Re: Working Group Travel ☐

I have given Adventure Travel the necessary credit card authorization on this. Devon please follow-up with the reservations etc.

Diana M. Scott Administrative Officer U.S. Election Assistance Commission (202) 566-3100 (office) (202) 566-3127 (fax) dscott@eac.gov

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/05/2006 05:34 PM

To DScott@eac.gov

cc Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC, dromig@eac.gov

Subject Working Group Travel

Diana:

The following members of the Working Group for our Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation research project will need to make travel arrangements in order to attend an afternoon meeting of the group on May 18 in Washington, DC:

Mark "Thor" Hearne - St Louis, MO J.R. Perez - Seguin, TX The Honorable Todd Rokita - Indianapolis, IN Kathy Rogers - Atlanta, GA

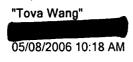
I may have one additional member from Albuquerque, NM confirmed early next week.

May these people use Adventure Travel to make these arrangements in the same manner as the Asian Language Working Group? I understand the members of that group made hotel and flight arrangements through Adventure Travel and that these costs were billed directly to EAC. We did plan for EAC to pay for the travel of the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Working Group (budgeted under Research). Devon will prepare their travel authorizations.

Peggy Sims Election Research Specialist

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To psims@eac.gov

Subject RE: Working Group

I am more than happy to attend in person

----Original Message----

From: Job Serebrov

Sent: Monday, May 00, 2006 9:15 AM To: psims@eac.gov; wang@tcf.org

Subject: Re: Working Group

Peggy:

4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the financial restrictions that you indicated would be in place for use of my car (I would actually loose money coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait for months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle for this working group meeting to take place in person. It is looking like the only way it will get done is by teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about the unknown nature of Mr. Perez.

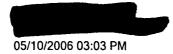
Job

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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> Hi, Folks:
> Teleconference
> Are both of you available for a teleconference next
> Tuesday afternoon at
> about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you,
> please suggest another
> date and/or time.
                    I would like to discuss our
> preparations for the
> Working Group meeting.
> Working Group Members
> We have a very good person to fill the slot for the nonpartisan local
> election official:
                     J.R. Perez, Elections
> Administrator for Guadalupe
> County, TX. Attached is his bio.
                                    Hope you have no
> objections to him. He
> is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat
> Rogers office, but
                                  Job, if you have any
> have not yet received a reply.
> pull with him, you
> may want to contact him, too.
> Travel Arrangements
> You should make your own travel arrangements,
> including hotel. Travel
> time cannot be billed to the contract, except for
> hours actually worked on
> the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in
> preparation for the meeting,
> and the like). Current Federal rates follow:
> Maximum Lodging = $180 per day- does not include
> hotel taxes (if you
> cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable
> rates that are a little
> higher)
> Meals & Incidentals = $64 per day (except that it is
> $48 on the first and
> last day of travel)
> Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = $ .445 per
> mile
> Under the new contract, I do not have to fill out a
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> travel authorization
> for you. I can approve your trip via email.
> Afterwords, when you turn in
> your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline
> receipt (or mileage
> documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground
> transportation receipts and a
> copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the
> total travel expenses due
> you, including applicable per diem. I do not need
> meal receipts.
> Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations
> for personal reasons are
> not normally accommodated. What you can do,
> however, is to give me a
> comparison of the cost of roundtrip mileage, hotel,
> and per diem of doing
> it your way against the cost of a roundtrip flight,
> ground transportation,
> hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it
> should be no problem to
> cover the full cost. If your way is more expensive,
> we may only pay up to
> the amount of traditional travel.
                                     (The same rules
> apply to me when I
> travel.) If you can tell me where, other than DC,
> you will spend the
> night, I can check on applicable per diem rates.
> Peggy
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To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Option

Peggy:

I may have the only option left but it is a risk time wise. I could stay at the Baymont in Salem by Roanoke and then leave early that morning and drive into DC or to a park and ride (Metro). I would make it before 12:00 barring any unforeseen road issues. However, I would have to leave to go home right after the meeting. That would cancel the next day's meeting.

Job

I need to run to West Little Rock so you can get me on my cell if you want to talk.

501-626-0440

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/12/2006 02:46 PM

To Job Serebrov

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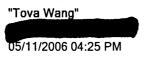
Subject Working Group List

Job:

What do you suggest I do with the list of Working Group members. I need to get the Fed Ex packages out by the end of the day, and have not heard back from Ginsberg. Do you want me to list a vacancy, or list Norcross with a note that he cannot attend? If we find a substitute, we can always provide an updated list next Thursday. --- Peggy

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To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject RE: Material I may not have included

news article review

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 3:23 PM

To

Subject: Re: Material I may not have included

Would these go under literature review or news article review? --- Peggy

"Tova Wang"

05/10/2006 11:45 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Material I may not have included

Peg,

Correct me if I'm wrong, but I think I omitted sending you these specific summaries that are based on complex cases that could not be adequately described within the confines of the nexis article excel spreadsheets. If we can, these should be included, probably on the disc. Sorry.





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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 11:45 AM

To Job Serebrov

CC

Subject Court Case Charts

Job

In preparing the CDs, we have run across the following files that appear to be duplicates. Which ones should go on the CD? --- Peggy





Chart Election Accessible.doc Chart Vote Inaccessible.doc





Chart Denial Voter Registrat.doc Chart Denial Voter Registrat 2.doc

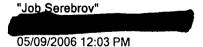




Chart Provisional Ballot Den.doc Chart Provisional Ballot Den 2.doc

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To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Re: Working Group-Perez

selected Perez are Republicans. If the shoe were on the other foot I would be uncomfortable. This one is up to Tova to call but I am not sure that he can be neutral.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

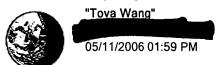
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> OK, I get it. The text in the attachment follows:
> EXCERPTS FROM TEXAS ELECTION CODE
> SUBCHAPTER B. COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR
> ***
> § 31.032. APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR; COUNTY
> ELECTION COMMISSION.
          (a) The position of county elections
> administrator is filled by
> appointment of the county election commission, which
> consists of:
                       the county judge, as chair;
                  (1)
                  (2) the county clerk, as vice
> chair;
                  (3) the county tax
> assessor-collector, as secretary; and
                  (4) the county chair of each
> political party that made
> nominations by primary election for the last general
> election for state
> and county officers preceding the date of the
> meeting at which the
> appointment is made.
              The affirmative vote of a majority of
          (b)
> the commission's
> membership is necessary for the appointment of an
> administrator.
          (c) Each appointment must be evidenced by a
> written resolution or
> order signed by the number of commission members
> necessary to make the
> appointment. Not later than the third day after the
> date an administrator
> is appointed, the officer who presided at the
> meeting shall file a signed
> copy of the resolution or order with the county
> clerk. Not later than the
> third day after the date the copy is filed, the
> county clerk shall deliver
> a certified copy of the resolution or order to the
> secretary of state.
          (d) The initial appointment may be made at
> any time after the
> adoption of the order creating the position.
> ***
> § 31.035. RESTRICTIONS ON POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.
          (a) A county elections administrator may
> not be a candidate for a
> public office or an office of a political party,
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> hold a public office, or
> hold an office of or position in a political party.
> At the time an
> administrator becomes a candidate or accepts an
> office or position in
> violation of this subsection, the administrator
> vacates the position of
> administrator.
          (b) A county elections administrator
> commits an offense if the
> administrator makes a political contribution or
> political expenditure, as
> defined by the law regulating political funds and
> campaigns, or publicly
> supports or opposes a candidate for public office or
> a measure to be voted
> on at an election. An offense under this subsection
> is a Class A
> misdemeanor. On a final conviction, the
> administrator's employment is
> terminated, and the person convicted is ineligible
> for future appointment
> as county elections administrator.
> "Job Serebrov"
> 05/09/2006 11:38 AM
> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
> Subject
> Re: Working Group-Perez
> The code attachment did not work that is what I
> meant
> by it did not come through.
> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > Did you look at the attached excerpts from Texas
> > Code? --- Peggy
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov"
> > 05/09/2006 11:25 AM
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> > To
> > psims@eac.gov
> > cc
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subject
> > Re: Working Group-Perez
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> > We have the same set-up here in Arkansas. We hired
> > person just like Perez. However, given this, I
> would
> > still like to know if he has a party affiliation
> > this brings up another issue. How is the county
> > election commission chosen. In Arkansas it is the
> > Chairmen of the Republican and Democrat Parties or
> > he/she does not want to serve a person is elected
> > his/her stead and a third member picked by the
> > with the most constitutional officers. Practically
> > that has meant that the Democrats have controlled
> > election commissions in Arkansas since the end of
> > Reconstruction. This is why I want to know the
> > situation in Texas.
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> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > > As you may recall, the Commissioners directed me
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> > > history of voting
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> > County Clerk for balloting), the Election
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> > regarding election administrator hiring and
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> > > activity.)
> > > Any experienced Texas election official will be
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> > and voter intimidation schemes used in that
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> > report bad news.) Mr. Perez is plugged into the
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> > election officials and the two largest
> > organizations
> > of election officials
> > > in this country: the International Association
> > > Clerks, Recorders,
> > Election Officials and Treasurers (IACREOT); and
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To psims@eac.gov

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Subject RE: research summaries

Job did this one

----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 12:56 PM

To:

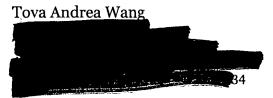
Subject: Re: research summaries

Something is wrong in the fourth paragraph of the Federal Election Crime summary. Do you know what it is supposed to say there?

"Tova Wang" <wang@tcf.org>

05/11/2006 01:30 PM

I have the feeling we didn't include these in the original batch I sent you. Could you double check and if not, would you please include them in the existing research materials? Sorry and thanks. I'm kind of doing all of this on my own in case you couldn't tell. List is coming...



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To Job Serebrov, Tova Andrea Wang

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Subject Rev Agenda for Working Group Meeting



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To Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV

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Subject Fw: Working Group-Perez

Adam:

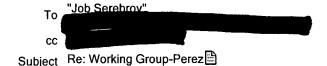
J.R. Perez's resume is attached, and I have forwarded my last explanatory email to Job in answer to his concerns. I will tell Tova not to contact Ray, but that she may talk with you about this issue. Thanks! --- Peggy



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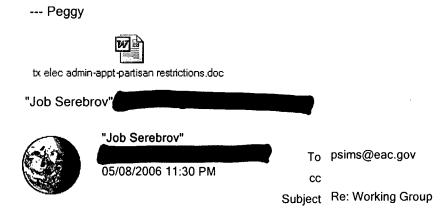
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Peggy:

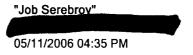
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Job

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To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: new working group representative

Peggy:

Braden is ok also with me but please don't tell me not to "stir up" things. I assure you nothing will come back to bite me. I know these people well enought to say they will also want a balanced group. In fact, one of them was very unhappy with Tova's folks.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> According to the Commissioners, you and Tova each > got to pick three > members of the Working Group. The Commission > guidance regarding this > particular member follows: > 4 people from the Academic, Legal and Advocacy > sectors - 2 to be chosen by > Tova and 2 to be chosen by Job. > This issue of allowing a designee relates to Tova's > pick. > As I understand it, we are working on a replacement > for Norcross. If > Ginsberg is not viable, how about Mark Braden, who > includes public > integrity in his areas of specialization. I would > not try and stir up

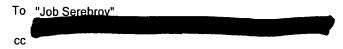
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> other members of the Working Group, if I were you.
> The effort is likely
> to come back and bite you.
> "Job Serebrov"
> 05/11/2006 03:53 PM
> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
> Subject
> Re: new working group representative
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> I really don't care if he represents the
> organization
> or not. What mixed race? The entire discussion was
> because Arnwine was African-American. If you are
> going
> to invite him without first having a replacement for
> my side, I may have to call Thor and Todd and
> discuss
> all of this.
> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > Greenbaum is representing Arnwine, not replacing
> > her. He works for her
> > organization and is of mixed race. --- Peggy
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov"
> > 05/11/2006 03:
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> > To
> > "Tova Wang"
                                 sims@eac.gov
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 > Subject
> > Re: new working group representative
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> > I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize
> > comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority
> > attorney and we already have a rep who worked with
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> > DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not
> > fill
> > that position since I am one down.
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> > is Jon Greenbaum
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>>> Here's his info in full:
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> > > He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project
> > > the Lawyers Committee
> > > for Civil Rights. He will be representing
> Barbara
> > > Arnwine, the Executive
> > > Director of the Lawyers Committee.
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> > > His contact and mailing info is:
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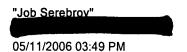


Subject Re: Literature Summary

When I opened the attachment, I still had problems with the 4th paragraph. Would you please just send me that paragraph within the text of your email so that I can paste it into the document? --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>





To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: Literature Summary

I resent the review as you see at the bottom. When I opened it and sent it there was no corrupted text.

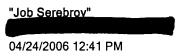
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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Do you have text to replace the corrupted text in
> paragraph 4? --- Peggy
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"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>
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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> > Tova just sent me the summary you prepared of The
> > Federal Crime of
> > Election Fraud by Craig Donsanto. There is
> > something wrong in the fourth
> > paragraph (odd characters and missing text). Can
> > you please send a
> > replacement fourth paragraph? You can send it in
> > an email and I will
> > place it in the document. --- Peggy
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To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: Voucher

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Ok. Thanks
--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job:
> I've signed and submitted your voucher. I had to
> correct the contract
> date. (It is 2/26/06, not 4/22/06.) Everything
> else looked great. ---
> Peggy
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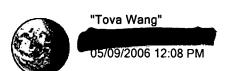
To "Tova Wang" <wang@tcf.org>@GSAEXTERNAL

cc Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject RE: Working Group-Perez

We are still on for 4 PM. Ray is out of the office due to a family emergency, so I suggest you NOT contact him. You may contact his Special Assistant, Adam Ambrogi (aambrogi@eac.gov or 202-566-3105), who also hails from Texas. --- Peggy

"Tova Wang"



To psims@eac.gov, serebrov@sbcglobal.net

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Subject RE: Working Group-Perez



We are still doing the 4 pm call, right? We can discuss it more then. Would it be OK if I see if Ray knows this person? Thanks. Tova

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2006 10:14 AM

To:

Cc:

Subject: Re: Working Group-Perez

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"Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>

05/08/2006 11:30 PM

To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: Working Group

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV 05/12/2006 10:10 AM

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Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group

Dear Mr. Ginsberg:

This is to confirm my call to your office this morning inviting you to be a member of and attend the upcoming meeting of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission's (EAC) Working Group on Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation. The meeting is scheduled to take place from 1:00 PM to 5:30 PM on Thursday, May 18th, 2006 at the offices of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC), 1225 New York Avenue, NW, 11th Floor, Washington, DC.

Section 241 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) requires EAC to conduct research on election administration issues. Among the tasks listed in the statute are the development of:

- nationwide statistics and methods of identifying, deterring, and investigating voting fraud in elections for Federal office [section 241(b)(6)]; and
- methods of identifying, deterring, and investigating methods of voter intimidation [section 241(b)(7)].

EAC's Board of Advisors recommended that the agency make research on these matters a high priority. Subsequently, the Commission contracted with two consultants (Job Serebrov and Tova Wang) to:

- develop a comprehensive description of what constitutes voting fraud and voter intimidation in the context of Federal elections;
- perform background research (including Federal and State administrative and case law review), identify current activities of key government agencies, civic and advocacy organizations regarding these topics, and deliver a summary of this research and all source documentation;
- establish a project working group, in consultation with EAC, composed of key individuals and representatives of organizations knowledgeable about the topics of voting fraud and voter intimidation;
- provide the description of what constitutes voting fraud and voter intimidation, and the results of the
 preliminary research to the working group, and convene the working group to discuss potential
 avenues for future EAC research on this topic; and
- produce a report to EAC summarizing the findings of the preliminary research effort and working group deliberations that includes recommendations for future research, if any;

We strive to include bipartisan representation on the Working Group associated with this project. You were recommended for this project by our Republican consultant, Job Serebrov. Your ideas for possible EAC activities related to this topic will help the agency as it plans future actions to meet its HAVA responsibilities.

If you can find the time in your busy schedule to participate, I will have an information packet delivered to your office by COB, Monday, May 15. Please let me know if you are available. Thank you.

Regards,

Peggy Sims Election Research Specialist U.S. Election Assistance Commission 1225 New York Ave, NW - Ste 1100 Washington, DC 20005

Phone: 866-747-1471 (toll free) or 202-566-3120 (direct)

Fax: 202-566-3127 email: psims@eac.gov

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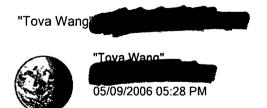
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05/10/2006 09:25 AM

To "Tova Wang"

Subject Re: arnwine

I'm checking on this. Will get back to you as soon as I have more info. --- Peggy



To psims@eac.gov

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Subject arnwine

She definitely cannot do it. Would you please find out if Wade Henderson would be possible? Now its my turn to be upset!!! Thanks.

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 recording when individuals are dialing in.

If you have any problems accessing the teleconference, please call Edgardo Cortés. You can reach him at 1-866-747-1471 (toll-free) or 202-566-3126. He can contact our service provider to correct any problems. (I will be on my way to Seattle and unable to help.)

Thanks, again!

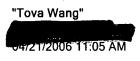
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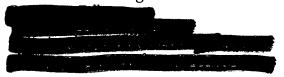
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Subject summaries of interviews

Part 1. I'm going to try not to overload

Tova Andrea Wang



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Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld Devon E. Romig

From: Devon E. Romig
Sent: 04/19/2006 12:24 PM
To: Rivers@BlankRome.com

Cc: Margaret Sims

Subject: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Ms. Rivers,

My name is Devon Romig and I am writing to you on behalf of the Election Assistance Commission. I believe that you have been contacted previously by our consultant Job Serebrov about the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group that we are organizing.

We are in the process of setting a date for this event and we would appreciate any suggestions that you may contribute based upon Mr. Norcross's availability in the month of May. The proposed dates are May 1,2,3,8,9,10,11,12,15,16,17,18,19. The meeting will only last for one day. Please let me know any and all of the listed dates that will work with Mr. Norcross's schedule.

Also, I tried to contact you by phone but I received a disconnected notification. Could you please provide me with you most current contact information?

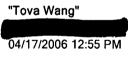
Feel free to call or email me with any questions.

Thanks!

Devon Romig U.S. Election Assistance Commission 1225 New York Ave. NW - Suite #1100 Washington, D.C. 20005 (202)566-2377

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To psims@eac.gov, serebrov@sbcglobal.net

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Subject RE: Conference Call This Afternoon

yes

----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2006 11:38 AM
To: serebrov@sbcglobal.net; wang@tcf.org
Subject: Conference Call This Afternoon

Are you two still available for the conference call we had scheduled for this afternoon at 4,PM EST/3 PM CST? --- Peg

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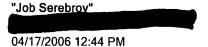




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Yes but it needs to go no longer then 30 mins

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV 04/19/2006 03:44 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Re: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Yes, she is the assistant to David A. Norcross and she is unavailable until Monday. I spoke with the woman who is filling in for her this week and she does not have access to Mr. Norcross's schedule.

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

04/19/2006 03:27 PM

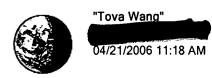
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Subject Re: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Was this message sent to someone's assistant? We have noone named Rivers on our working group. Peggy

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To psims@eac.gov, "'Job Serebrov"

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Subject case charts 2

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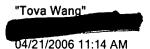
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To psims@eac.gov

cc "Job Serebrov"



Subject nexis article charts and overview/analysis

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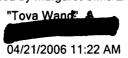




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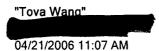
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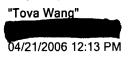
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And there will be one more forthcoming next week.

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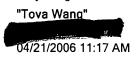






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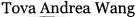




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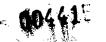
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

04/19/2006 03:27 PM

To Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV@EAC

CC

Subject Re: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Was this message sent to someone's assistant? We have noone named Rivers on our working group. Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld Devon E. Romig

From: Devon E. Romig
Sent: 04/19/2006 12:24 PM
To:

Cc: Margaret Sims

Subject: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Ms. Rivers,

My name is Devon Romig and I am writing to you on behalf of the Election Assistance Commission. I believe that you have been contacted previously by our consultant Job Serebrov about the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group that we are organizing.

We are in the process of setting a date for this event and we would appreciate any suggestions that you may contribute based upon Mr. Norcross's availability in the month of May. The proposed dates are May 1,2,3,8,9,10,11,12,15,16,17,18,19. The meeting will only last for one day. Please let me know any and all of the listed dates that will work with Mr. Norcross's schedule.

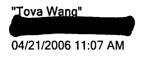
Also, I tried to contact you by phone but I received a disconnected notification. Could you please provide me with you most current contact information?

Feel free to call or email me with any questions.

Thanks!

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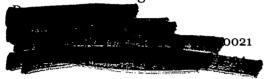


To psims@eac.gov, "'Job Serebrov"

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To Diana Scott

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Subject Teleconference Requested

Diana:

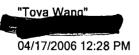
This is just to let you know that I have requested a teleconference on Wednesday, April 19, from 11 AM to Noon EST. I asked for 6 lines to accommodate our research consultants and the folks that they will be interviewing for our Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation project.

Peggy Sims

Election Research Specialist

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To psims@eac.gov

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Subject RE: Interviews

00441



Noon EST

----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, April 17, 2006 10:49 AM

To: wang@tcf.org **Subject:** Interviews

I know you preferred Friday, but Job is not available then. He also said he is not available next week. Do you have any time available this Wednesday? --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov"

04/17/2006 11:06 AM

To psims@eac.gov

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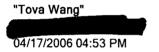
Subject Re: Follow up Donsanto and KY Interviews

I can't do it Friday but Wednesday is ok.
--- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> Tova and Job:
> I've passed Tova's request on to Craig.
> Also, Sarah Ball Johnson, KY, finally called back
> to say she would be
> available Wednesday through Friday this week and
> next week for the
> interview. Which day and time is best for you and
> Job?
> --- Peggy
> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
> "Tova Wang"

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> Subject
> donsanto again
>
>
>
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>
>
>
>
> Hi Peg,
>
> Happy Easter!
>
> Would it be possible to talk to Mr. Donsanto about
> this latest initiative,
> or somehow get more infomation? Thanks. Tova
>
> http://www.fbi.gov/page2/april06/electioncrime041406.htm
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"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov

To psims@eac.gov

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05/03/2006 11:56 AM

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Hi Peg. I am sitting here with Cameron Quinn putting together this year's

ballt conference for AUSAs. She send her best!

I am available on 5/18. But I am also going to the Board of Advisors Meeting the following week. I would rather do this then.

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>

To: Donsanto, Craig < Craig. Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>

Sent: Wed May 03 11:39:50 2006

Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craiq:

We are continuing our efforts to hone in on a date for the Working Group meeting. Are you available the afternoon of Thursday, May 18?

Peggy Sims Election Research Specialist U.S. Election Assistance Commission

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV 05/10/2006 09:54 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Court reporter

Peggy,

I spoke to the people who usually handle the EAC court reporting. They charge \$9.00 per page with an average of 40 pages per hour. This service would cost about \$1800.00.

The turn around time for the transcript is 10 to 15 days. The transcripts comes in a bound paper copy and an electronic copy.

I can also check around for different prices.

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wang@tcf.org 05/05/2006 09:17 PM

To psims@eac.gov, serebrov@sbcglobal.net

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Subject hotels



Literally, there is not a hotel room to be found in the district on these dates. The only thing I could find was a room for \$379 a night. I have booked it and will assume that since we are so under-budget on travel that this will be OK

---- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov

To:

Cc: dromig@eac.gov

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 2:32 PM

Subject: Working Group

Hi, Folks:

Teleconference

Are both of you available for a teleconference next Tuesday afternoon at about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you, please suggest another date and/or time. I would like to discuss our preparations for the Working Group meeting.

Working Group Members

We have a very good person to fill the slot for the nonpartisan local election official: J.R. Perez, Elections Administrator for Guadalupe County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have no objections to him. He is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat Rogers office, but have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have any pull with him, you may want to contact him, too.

Travel Arrangements

You should make your own travel arrangements, including hotel. Travel time cannot be billed to the contract, except for hours actually worked on the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in preparation for the meeting, and the like). Current Federal rates follow:

Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include hotel taxes (if you cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable rates that are a little higher)

Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that it is \$48 on the first and last day of travel)
Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445 per mile

Under the new contract, I do not have to fill out a travel authorization for you. I can approve your trip via email. Afterwords, when you turn in your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline receipt (or mileage documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground transportation receipts and a copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the total travel expenses due you, including applicable per diem. I do not need meal receipts.

Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations for personal reasons are not normally accommodated. What you can do, however, is to give me a comparison of the cost of roundtrip mileage, hotel, and per diem of doing it your way against the cost of a roundtrip flight, ground transportation, hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it should be no problem to cover the full cost. If your way is more expensive, we may only pay up to the amount of traditional travel. (The same rules apply to me when I travel.) If you can tell me where, other than DC, you will spend the night, I can check on applicable per diem rates.



Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 02:36 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

Subject Re: Court Case Charts

OK, I will include all on the CD. Thanks. ---- Peggy

"Job Serebrov"



"Job Serebrov"

05/11/2006 12:09 PM

To psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject Re: Court Case Charts

All. They are not duplicates. There are some cases repeated and some not. It is a slight varient of the word search.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job
> In preparing the CDs, we have run across the
> following files that appear
> to be duplicates. Which ones should go on the CD?
> --- Peggy
>
>

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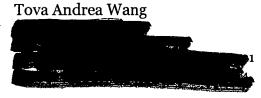


"Tova Wang" 05/11/2006 12:06 PM

To psims@eac.gov cc dromig@eac.gov,

"Tova Wang"

Subject inst of interviewees



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"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov

To psims@eac.gov

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05/05/2006 12:56 PM

Subject RE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

Thank you, Peg - - see you then.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 12:53 PM

To: Donsanto, Craig

Subject: RE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 18, 1-5:30 PM (though we may finish earlier). It will be held in EAC's large conference room (the one we use for public meetings, located off our lobby). --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" < Craig. Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/05/2006 12:43 PM

Topsims@eac.gov

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SubjecRE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project tmeeting

If you tell me now I will put it into my calendar here, which in turn will remind me!

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 12:42 PM

To: Donsanto, Craig

Subject: Re: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

How many days in advance do you need the reminder? --- Peggy ---- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:27 PM ----

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05/04/2006 02:07 PM

- To Paul DeGregorio, Ray Martinez, Donetta Davidson, Gracia Hillman
- cc twilkey@eac.gov, jthompson@eac.gov, Gavin S.
 Gilmour/EAC/GOV@EAC, Amie J. Sherrill/EAC/GOV@EAC,
 Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV@EAC, Elieen L.
 Collver/EAC/GOV@EAC, Sheila A. Banks/EAC/GOV@EAC,
 bbenavides@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting

Dear Commissioners:

This is to let you know that the Working Group for our Voting Fraud and Voter Intimidation preliminary research project is scheduled to meet in EAC's large conference room the afternoon of Thursday, May 18. I will provide more information about this meeting to you later.

Peggy Sims

Election Research Specialist

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05/09/2006 11:19 AM

To Devon Romig

CC

Subject May 18 Meeting

Did Barbara Arnwine's office indicate who they propose to send in her place? --- Peggy ----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:27 PM -----



"Job Serebrov" 05/10/2006 02:35 PM

To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Latham



The Latham is booked solid. I called. I am checking out some possibilities but this is not looking good.

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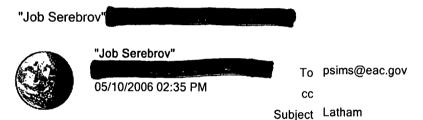
Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 03:20 PM



Subject Re: Latham

One sources suggests the Georgetown Inn has vacancies and pillow top beds. Try 1-800-424-2979 or 202-353-8900.



The Latham is booked solid. I called. I am checking out some possibilities but this is not looking good.

---- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:27 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 10:06 AM

To Tova Andrea Wang, Job Serebrov

CC

Subject Today's Teleconference

I assume that we are still on for today's teleconference at 11 AM EST. I will call you. I have attached a draft agenda for your review and comment. --- Peggy



Agenda 5-18-06 Mtg-draft.doc

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"Job Serebrov" 05/12/2006 12:52 PM

To psims@eac.gov, wang@tcf.org

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Subject Re: Fraud Definition

This is ok, given the fact that the WG may have suggestions. Will you be sending us the same packets that you are sending the WG? Also, I figure with Tova's response we will need to have a teleconference on the report once I return to Little Rock. We will need to do it that following Monday or Tuesday.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

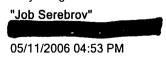
- > Would you please take a look at the attached? I > combined both of your
- > definitions, reformatted the list, removed a
- > reference to the fraud having
- > to have an actual impact on the election results
- > (because fraud can be
- > prosecuted without proving that it actually changed
- > the results of the
- > election), and taken out a couple of vague examples
- > (e.g.; reference to
- > failing to enforce state laws --- because there may
- > be legitimate reasons
- > for not doing so).

- > I have made contact with Ben Ginsberg's office and
- > am waiting to hear if
- > he accepts our invitation to join the working group.
- > --- Peggy

>

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To psims@eac.gov, wang@tcf.org

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Subject Re: Dinner

Yes. My wife is a vegetarian and I can't eat wheat products and don't eat pork. Non-toxic Oriental seems to always work. I did not cc Tova on this until I received your reaction. You probably want to include

Tova on replies to this e-mail.

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV 05/09/2006 11:12 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Fw: May 18th Meeting at EAC

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---- Forwarded by Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV on 05/09/2006 11:12 AM -----



"Marvin Brokaw"

To dromig@eac.gov

CC

05/09/2006 11:04 AM

Subject RE: May 18th Meeting at EAC

Hi Devon:

We have heard from Mark Hearne and Todd Rokita. They are both flying in and out on the 18th and will not need hotel rooms. We're kind of waiting to see if Perez and Rogers need rooms before booking any hotel. As soon as we get approval of Hearne and Rokita air schedules and get them booked, we'll forward their itineraries to you.

Kind Regards, Marvin

----Original Message----

From: dromig@eac.gov [mailto:dromig@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2006 8:31 AM

To: marvin.brokaw@adtrav.com

Cc: psims@eac.gov

Subject: May 18th Meeting at EAC

Hello Marvin,

I just wanted to follow up with the voicemail message that I left for you yesterday. We will be holding a meeting at our offices in Washington DC on May 18, 2006. I have informed the out of state attendees to contact you for their travel arrangements.

We have been authorized to pay for the attendees airfare and hotel arrangements. Please note

that all of the participants are authorized for a two night hotel room stay, as long as the dates are May 17th and 18th.

I attached the list of the meeting participants that will be contacting you about their travel arrangements for the May 18th meeting in Washington DC.

Let me know if you have any questions for me or if you need any more information from me.

Thanks for your help!

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV 05/03/2006 03:23 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject David Norcross

Peggy,

I just spoke to Mr. Norcross's assistant, he cannot attend the meeting on the 18th, he will be out of town at another event.

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"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov

To psims@eac.gov

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05/04/2006 06:08 PM

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Peggy -- they don't have anything to do with the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights do they?

I ask only because the Justice Department is currently engaged in a very acrimoneous FOIA litigation with LCCR that focuses precisely on our efforts to combat voter "intimidationm"

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>

To: Donsanto, Craig < Craig. Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>

Sent: Thu May 04 17:20:39 2006

Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

It is just the Working Group for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project. I am asking you to attend as Technical Advisor for the project. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/04/2006 03:26 PM

To

psims@eac.gov

CC

Subject

RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Peg - - what is the name of the group?

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 3:13 PM

To: Donsanto, Craig

Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craig:

This meeting is being held to obtain input from our eight-member Working Group for the project. The group is composed of election lawyers, election officials, and a representative of an advocacy group, all of whom have an interest and some expertise in the identification and/or prosecution of voting fraud and voter intimidation. The group was chosen so that we would have an equal number of folks on each side of the political spectrum, plus some nonpartisan members.

After our consultants review the results of their preliminary research (interviews, literature review, case law), we will ask the Working Group to brainstorm possible next steps for EAC. Our consultants will write a report summarizing the proposals that come out of this meeting. The report will go to the Commissioners, who will decide what they want to do, funds available, and what priority to assigned to the effort(s).

Your participation in this part of the process is extremely important, so I am very happy that you can find time for us that afternoon. I'll get an agenda and other information to you next week. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" < Craig. Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/04/2006 02:32 PM

To

psims@eac.gov

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Subject

RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay, Peg - - I will mark off the entire afternoon and try to be there. What is the agenda? I was not aware that this was anything beyond having your contractors spend another session with me. Also, if they will be needing stats and stuff like that I need to know as I will bring my state-people with me.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 2:28 PM

To: Donsanto, Craig

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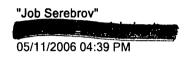
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"Tova Wang" <wang@tcf.org> 05/09/2006 11:45 AM

To psims@eac.gov

Subject RE: Case Summaries



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----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2006 10:38 AM

To: wang@tcf.org

Subject: Fw: Case Summaries

Had you seen this? --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov"

05/08/2006 09:30 AM

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Peggy:

Please add this to the packet.

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"Job Serebrov" 05/12/2006 03:45 PM

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Subject Re: Good News

I'm thankful it all worked out.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Ginsberg has accepted our invitation! --- Peggy

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/02/2006 11:32 AM

To pegsims1@aol.com, Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Barbara Arnwine

Peggy,

I just spoke to Valerie Johnson, Ms. Arnwine's assistant. The following are a list of dates that are possible for her attendance:

8th - PM (2pm to 6pm) 9th - Possible PM

16th - PM (1:30pm - 5:30pm)

17th - All day*

18th - All day*

19th - All day*

*All day availability does not begin until after 9:30 or 10:00 AM

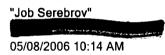
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Subject Re: Working Group

Peggy:

4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the financial restrictions that you indicated would be in place for use of my car (I would actually loose money coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait for months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle for this working group meeting to take place in person. It is looking like the only way it will get done is by teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about the unknown nature of Mr. Perez.

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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Hi, Folks:

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> Teleconference
> Are both of you available for a teleconference next
> Tuesday afternoon at
> about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you,
> please suggest another
> date and/or time. I would like to discuss our
> preparations for the
> Working Group meeting.
> Working Group Members
> We have a very good person to fill the slot for the
> nonpartisan local
> election official: J.R. Perez, Elections
> Administrator for Guadalupe
> County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have no
> objections to him. He
> is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat
> Rogers office, but
> have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have any
> pull with him, you
> may want to contact him, too.
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> You should make your own travel arrangements,
> including hotel. Travel
> time cannot be billed to the contract, except for
> hours actually worked on
> the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in
> preparation for the meeting,
> and the like). Current Federal rates follow:
> Maximum Lodging = $180 per day- does not include
> hotel taxes (if you
> cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable
> rates that are a little
> higher)
> Meals & Incidentals = $64 per day (except that it is
> $48 on the first and
> last day of travel)
> Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = $ .445 per
> mile
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> travel authorization
> for you. I can approve your trip via email.
> Afterwords, when you turn in
> your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline
> receipt (or mileage
> documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground
> transportation receipts and a
> copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the
> total travel expenses due
> you, including applicable per diem. I do not need
> meal receipts.
> Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations
> for personal reasons are
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> hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it
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> cover the full cost. If your way is more expensive,
> we may only pay up to
> the amount of traditional travel. (The same rules
> apply to me when I
> travel.) If you can tell me where, other than DC,
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To Craig Donsanto

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Craig:

I think we have resolved the issue of Barbara Arnwine's absence from the upcoming meeting by having one of her staff represent her (and her organization). Please review the attached rough summary of DOJ Cases ASAP and let me know if I need to delete reference to the open investigations. Hopefully, we won't have to remove this information as it does not specify the defendants or States involved. --- Peg

Rough Summary of Department of Justice, Public Integrity Section Activities, October 2002-January 2006

Prosecutions and Convictions-- Individuals

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Open Investigations (note: a few cases overlap with prosecutions and convictions)

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Official: 8 Ineligibles: 4

Deceptive Practices: 1 Civil Rights: 14

Intimidation: 6

Other: 2

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To Job Serebrov

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Subject Literature Summary

Tova just sent me the summary you prepared of <u>The Federal Crime of Election Fraud</u> by Craig Donsanto. There is something wrong in the fourth paragraph (odd characters and missing text). Can you please send a replacement fourth paragraph? You can send it in an email and I will place it in the document. --- Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 10:32 AM

To Devon Romig

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Subject Fw: Court Reporter for Working Group Meeting

Devon:

We have the OK from Tom to obtain a court reporter. Per his response (attached), please coordinate with Joyce. Also, I understand the reporter for the Asian Language Working Group arrived late. Please find out how we can ensure the one for our meeting arrives on time. Thanks! --- Peggy

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Thomas R. Wilkey/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 10:29 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Re: Fw: Court Reporter for Working Group Meeting

Yes. please let Joyce know and she will get someone Tom

Thomas R. Wilkey
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05/10/2006 10:26 AM

To twilkey@eac.gov

cc DScott@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Tom:

I understand that EAC hired a court reporter for the Asian Language Working Group meeting. I would like to do the same for the May 18 Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group meeting, but I did not include funds in my budget for this service. Do we have funds that could be used for this purpose? (See Devon's cost estimate below.) --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 05/10/2006 10:18 AM ----- Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

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To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Court reporter

Peggy,

I spoke to the people who usually handle the EAC court reporting. They charge \$9.00 per page with an average of 40 pages per hour. This service would cost about \$1800.00.

The turn around time for the transcript is 10 to 15 days. The transcripts comes in a bound paper copy and an electronic copy.

I can also check around for different prices.

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/03/2006 10:50 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Secretary Rokita's schedule

Peggy,

I just spoke to Nathan Cane (Secretary Rokita's assistant). He did not have any new information but they are going to have a scheduling meeting tomorrow morning and he will ask specifically about the afternoon of May 18th. I also reminded him to find out any of the days that he was not available or any of the days that he had could attend the meeting in the morning or the afternoon.

Thanks,

Devon

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05/04/2006 01:05 PM

To Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

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Subject Re: VFVI Working Group

Devon:

I forgot to tell you that Thor Hearne's assistant is named Bethany. She can be reached at 314/613-2510. --- Peggy

Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV



Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV 05/04/2006 12:33 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc Edgardo Cortes/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject VFVI Working Group

Peggy,

I have called each of the participants. So far I have a definite confirmation from Kathy Rogers.

Here is the list of the out of town participants for the Voter Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group:

Mark Hearne II - St. Louis, MO Todd Rokita - Indianapolis, IN Kathy Rogers - Atlanta, GA

Possible Participant.

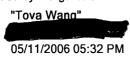
Patrick Rogers - New Mexico

Thanks,

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To psims@eac.gov

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Subject RE: new working group representative

I'm up for a short meeting afterward and a teleconference on Monday. And maybe when all of this is over, you and I can have dinner! Have I told you that I am moving down to DC this summer?

I suspect you have put up with much more than I have and I really appreciate everything you have done.

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 4:27 PM

To: wang@tcf.org

Subject: RE: new working group representative

Tova:

I understood Job to say that he could only find a hotel room with the right bed in Roanoke (hours away). He will drive in Thursday morning for the meeting and return to that hotel Thursday night. He won't drive back into DC for a Friday morning meeting.

We don't have to do dinner. I recognize that you have spent a lot of time and energy to make this project work, and I don't want to put you out. (You have done a lot under difficult circumstances.) Though we will be bushed, we may want to have a short meeting right after the Working Group disperses --- or we could do a teleconference the following Monday afternoon (before I head into three more days of meetings). --- Peggy



05/11/2006 04:54 PM

To psims@eac.gov, serebrov@sbcglobal.net

CC

Subject RE: new working group representative

It would not be my first preference to do this right after the meeting, and I sort of had tentative plans. They can be changed if necessary of course, but what happened to meeting on Friday morning?

----Original Message----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 3:47 PM
To: serebrov@sbcglobal.net; wang@tcf.org
Subject: Re: new working group representative

Dinner sounds like a great idea. Do either of you have any dietary restrictions of preferences? (I seem to recall that Tova would prefer a place that has vegetarian options). I'll try to locate a nearby place that won't bust the budget. --- Peggy



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To psims@eac.gov

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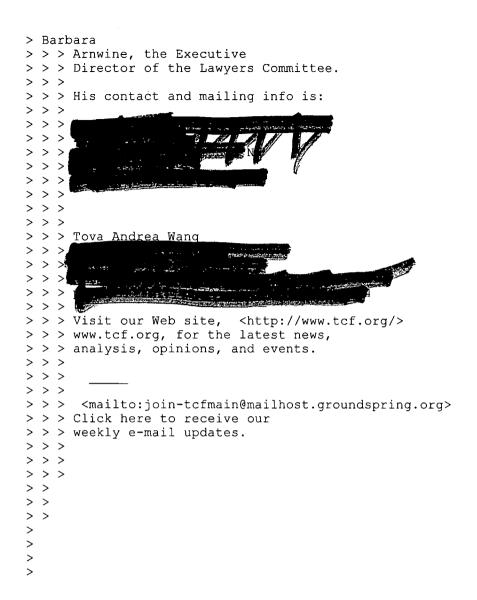
Subject Re: new working group representative

On another note entirely, since traffic will be bad going to Roanoke, do you want to have a dinner meeting with Tova and me after the group meeting to discuss the final report? As long as we are out by 7or so I am ok with it. Also, my wife would have to be there as she will be meeting me after the WG.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

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> According to the Commissioners, you and Tova each
> got to pick three
> members of the Working Group. The Commission
> guidance regarding this
> particular member follows:
> 4 people from the Academic, Legal and Advocacy
> sectors - 2 to be chosen by
> Tova and 2 to be chosen by Job.
> This issue of allowing a designee relates to Tova's
> pick.
> As I understand it, we are working on a replacement
> for Norcross. If
> Ginsberg is not viable, how about Mark Braden, who
> includes public
> integrity in his areas of specialization. I would
> not try and stir up
> other members of the Working Group, if I were you.
> The effort is likely
> to come back and bite you.
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>
> "Job Serebrov"
> 05/11/2006 03:53 PM
> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
> Subject
> Re: new working group representative
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> I really don't care if he represents the
> organization
> or not. What mixed race? The entire discussion was
> because Arnwine was African-American. If you are
> going
> to invite him without first having a replacement for
> my side, I may have to call Thor and Todd and
> discuss
> all of this.
> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > Greenbaum is representing Arnwine, not replacing
> > her. He works for her
> > organization and is of mixed race. --- Peggy
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov"
> > 05/11/2006 03:36 PM
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> To
> > "Tova Wang"
                                psims@eac.gov
> > serebrov@sbcglobal.net
> > Subject
> > Re: new working group representative
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> > I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize
> > comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority
> > attorney and we already have a rep who worked with
> > DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not
> > fill
> > that position since I am one down.
> > --- Tova Wang
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> > > is Jon Greenbaum
> > >
 >> Here's his info in full:
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> > > He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project
> > > the Lawyers Committee
> > > for Civil Rights. He will be representing
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assistant@sos.in.gov,
krogers@sos.state.ga.us
cc Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Voter Fraud/Voter Intimidation Working Group, May 18th, 2006

Dear Meeting Participants,

Thank you for confirming your participation in the upcoming Voter Fraud/Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting in Washington, D.C.. This meeting will take place at our office from 1:00 PM to 5:30 PM on Thursday May 18th, 2006.

The Election Assistance Commission (EAC) will cover the cost of your flight, the cost of your hotel room and provide you with a daily per diem. The cost of the airfare and the hotel stay will be paid directly by the EAC, as long as you book your travel through Adventure Travel.

To coordinate your flight and hotel stay, please contact Marvin Brokaw of Adventure Travel at (205) 444-4800, ext. 3501. Please note that the eligible dates of the hotel accommodation include the evenings on May 17th and May 18th. Once you have contacted him and you have received the itinerary via e-mail you must forward me a copy immediately so that I can complete a travel authorization form.

I have included two attachments with this email; the first attachment is a letter that contains important information that you will need to know before calling the travel agent and the second attachment provides some general information that should help you get around the city during your trip.

In addition to your travel itinerary, I will also need the following information by the close of business this Friday May 12, 2006 in order to complete your travel authorization:

Full Name:

Title:

Entity for whom you work:

Address to Which the Reimbursement Check Will Be Mailed:

Work Telephone:

Fax Number:

Social Security #: (if uncomfortable e-mailing this, feel free to call me):

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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"Tova Wang" <wang@tcf.org> 05/11/2006 01:30 PM

To psims@eac.gov, dromig@eac.gov

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Subject research summaries

I have the feeling we didn't include these in the original batch I sent you. Could you double check and if not, would you please include them in the existing research materials? Sorry and thanks. I'm kind of doing all of this on my own in case you couldn't tell. List is coming...

Tova Andrea Wang

Democracy Fellow

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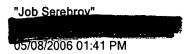
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To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: Working Group

Given the information I have Peggy, that is not going to be financially possible. First, given Tova's info about the hotels, it is too much for me to front. Two to three days in DC would run around \$1000 for the hotel alone. That does not count the two days on the road to get there and two days back. Second, if I can't charge the federal per mile allowance for the entire trip to DC and back and can only get the equivalent of plane fare, I will actually loose money.

I simply do not see how we can do this in person given the financial restrictions.

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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> Job:
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    I don't think we can put you on teleconference for
> 41/2 hours. We really
> need to have you here in person if you are to help
> conduct the Working
> Group meeting. You should make your travel
> arrangements ASAP. --- Peggy
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>
    "Job Serebrov"
> 05/08/2006 10:1 AM
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> To
> psims@eac.gov, wang@tcf.org
> cc
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> Subject
> Re: Working Group
> Peggy:
> 4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the
> financial restrictions that you indicated would be
> place for use of my car (I would actually loose
> money
> coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this
> time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait
> months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle
> for
> this working group meeting to take place in person.
> is looking like the only way it will get done is by
> teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about
> unknown nature of Mr. Perez.
> Job
> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> > Hi, Folks:
> > Teleconference
> > Are both of you available for a teleconference
> > Tuesday afternoon at
> > about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you,
> > please suggest another
> > date and/or time. I would like to discuss our
> > preparations for the
> > Working Group meeting.
> > Working Group Members
> > We have a very good person to fill the slot for
> the
> > nonpartisan local
> > election official: J.R. Perez, Elections
> > Administrator for Guadalupe
> > County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have
> > objections to him. He
> > is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to
> Pat
> > Rogers office, but
> > have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have
> > pull with him, you
> > may want to contact him, too.
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> > Travel Arrangements
> > You should make your own travel arrangements,
> > including hotel. Travel
> > time cannot be billed to the contract, except for
> > hours actually worked on
> > the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in
> > preparation for the meeting,
> > and the like). Current Federal rates follow:
> > Maximum Lodging = $180 per day- does not include
> > hotel taxes (if you
> > cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable
> > rates that are a little
> > higher)
> > Meals & Incidentals = $64 per day (except that it
> > $48 on the first and
> > last day of travel)
> > Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = $ .445 per
> > Under the new contract, I do not have to fill out
> > travel authorization
> > for you. I can approve your trip via email.
> > Afterwords, when you turn in
> > your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline
> > receipt (or mileage
> > documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground
> > transportation receipts and a
> > copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the
> > total travel expenses due
> > you, including applicable per diem. I do not need
> > meal receipts.
> >
> > Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations
> > for personal reasons are
> > not normally accommodated. What you can do,
> > however, is to give me a
> > comparison of the cost of roundtrip mileage,
> hotel,
> > and per diem of doing
> > it your way against the cost of a roundtrip
> > ground transportation,
> > hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it
> > should be no problem to
> > cover the full cost. If your way is more
> expensive,
> > we may only pay up to
> > the amount of traditional travel. (The same rules
> > apply to me when I
> > travel.)
             If you can tell me where, other than DC,
> > you will spend the
> > night, I can check on applicable per diem rates.
> > Peggy
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Subject Re: wg

Let me check with Devon early tomorrow. If she did not hear from him this afternoon, I'll have her contact you. Perhaps you will have more success than we have.

Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

---- Original Message ---

From: "Tova Wang"

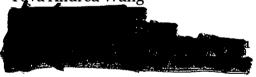
Sent: 04/26/2006 05:46 PM

To: Margaret Sims

Subject: wq

Do you want me to call both Bob too?

Tova Andrea Wang



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To Paul DeGregorio

cc Amie J. Sherrill/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject New Working Group Member

FYI - The person I mentioned as a replacement for David Norcross, who was unavailable, could not attend or Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group meeting. Our consultant, Job Serebrov, suggested Benjamin Ginsberg, who is willing. I'm sorry I could not check with you on this beforehand --- things